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# THE HONOLULU CITY CHARTER COMMISSION IS "OPEN FOR BUSINESS"

### YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO SHAPE HONOLULU'S FUTURE

HONOLULU, HAWAII, July 5, 2005.

The Honolulu City Charter Commission is officially "open for business." For the next four months, you have an opportunity to suggest changes to the way that the City and County of Honolulu functions. This opportunity is one that comes along only once every ten years.

In the last general election, Oahu's voters approved a ballot question establishing the appointment of a Charter Commission in 2004 and every ten years thereafter. The 2005-2006 Charter Commission was convened to accept, consider, and propose amendments to the Honolulu City Charter to the voting public. The Commission will be accepting proposed amendments from now through October 31, 2005.

### **Charter Commission "Open for Business" (page 2)**

The Commission is comprised of thirteen appointed members of the public. Proposed amendments will be presented to the electorate during the 2006 general election. This opportunity to shape our City's governing document is a special one, as the next Charter Commission will not be appointed until 2014.

"The Commission looks forward to receiving, evaluating, and proposing changes to our City Charter," said Commission Chairman Donn Takaki. "We want to make sure that all Honolulu citizens are aware of both our mission and their opportunity to suggest changes to improve our City via the Charter."

The Commission's office is located at 711 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1485. The telephone number is 592-8622 and fax number is 592-8633. They may also be reached via email at charter@honolulu.gov, and via the web at www.honolulu.gov/chc.

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